

B. AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (Currently Amended)

Claim 2 (Cancelled)

Claim 3 (Currently Amended)

Claim 4 (Currently Amended)

Claim 5 (Currently Amended)

Claim 6 (Currently Amended)

Claim 7 (Currently Amended)

Claim 8 (Currently Amended)

Claim 9 (Currently Amended)

Claim 10 (Currently Amended)

1. (Currently Amended) A mower structure for cutting herbage comprising in combination:

a frame having forward and rearward ends and journaling [~~at least one~~] two wheels in elongately spaced co-planar relationship for support on and locomotion over a supporting surface;

a vertically oriented powering structure having upper and lower end portions and coupled to the frame

for adjustable vertical motion relative to the frame;
and

a sickle bar structure pivotally carried by the lower portion of the powering structure for adjustable continuous pivotal motion in a laterally extending vertical plane.

3. (Currently Amended) The mower structure of Claim 1 wherein the powering structure has a medial tubular powering column with a motor at an upper end portion of the powering column operatively communicating with a power shaft depending through the powering column to operatively engage a transmission structure carried by a lower portion of the powering column to operate the sickle bar.

4. (Currently Amended) The mower structure of Claim 3 wherein the sickle bar structure is pivotally carried by the transmission structure; and

the sickle bar structure operatively communicates with the transmission structure to cause oscillatory motion of at least one cutter bar in the

sickle bar structure responsive to rotary motion of transmission structure elements.

5. (Currently Amended) The mower structure of Claim 1 wherein the sickle bar structure provides an elongate cutter bar that oscillates between upper and lower support bars and has a plurality of sequentially adjacent cutter teeth on both a forward edge and a rearward edge to allow cutting by moving the mower in a forward and a rearward direction.

6. (Currently Amended) The mower structure of Claim 1 further having an elongate manipulating handle carried by the rearward end of the frame and extending upwardly and rearwardly from the frame, said manipulating handle having means for angular adjustment in an elongately extending vertical plane.

7. (Currently Amended) The mower structure of Claim 6 wherein

the sickle bar structure is foldable substantially vertically upward adjacent the frame and the manipulating handle is foldable forwardly over the frame and over the sickle bar structure to form a compact mower structure for periods of non-use and transport.

8. (Currently Amended) A mower structure for cutting herbage comprising in combination:

an elongate frame, having forward and rearward ends, journaling [~~at least~~] two elongately spaced coplanar wheels[7] for support and locomotion on a supporting surface[7] and having a manipulative handle adjustably extending upwardly and rearwardly from the rearward end of the frame;

a vertically oriented powering structure carried by the frame for adjustable vertical motion relative to the frame, said powering structure having a medial tubular powering column with a motor at an upper end portion of the powering column operatively communicating with a powering shaft depending through

the powering column to operatively engage a transmission structure carried by a lower portion of the powering column; and

a sickle bar structure carried by the transmission structure for adjustable continuous pivotal positioning in a laterally extending vertical plane, said sickle bar structure operatively communicating with the transmission structure and having

at least one elongate cutter bar with a plurality of sequentially adjacent cutter teeth on both a forward edge and a rearward edge, and

means to translate rotary motion of the transmission structure to oscillatory motion of the at least one elongate cutter bar in the sickle bar structure to allow cutting in both a forward and rearward direction responsive to forward and rearward motion of the mower.

9. (Currently Amended) The mower structure of Claim 8

wherein the at least one cutter bar comprises:

at least two similar adjacent cutting bars
reciprocating 180 degrees out of phase with each
other.

10. (Currently Amended) The mower structure of Claim 8
wherein the sickle bar structure folds upwardly [~~with the at
least one cutter bar~~] adjacent a side of the frame and the
manipulative handle folds forwardly and downwardly over the
[~~at least one cutter~~] sickle bar structure and to the frame
for compaction of the mower during periods of non-use.